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|  | Examiner<br>David Vu   | Art Unit<br>2828    |  |

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2.  The allowed claim(s) is/are 1 and 3-20.
3.  The drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_ are accepted by the Examiner.
4.  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a)  All    b)  Some\*    c)  None    of the:
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**Attachment(s)**

1.  Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2.  Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3.  Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4.  Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
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6.  Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
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7.  Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8.  Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9.  Other \_\_\_\_\_.

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**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Mark Svat on 4/4/2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1, line 8, "the lamp." has been changed to ---the lamp, wherein the preheating portion including a unidirectional switch used to control energy delivered to the at least one lamp, the unidirectional switch receiving an ac control signal prior to the ac control signal being converted into a pulsating dc signal.---

Claim 2 has been canceled.

Claim 3, line 1, "claim 2" has been changed to ---claim 1---.

Claim 4, line 1, "claim 2" has been changed to ---claim 1---.

Claim 5, line 1, "claim 2" has been changed to ---claim 1---.

Claim 6, line 1, "claim 2" has been changed to ---claim 1---.

Claim 12, line 6, "been ignited." has been changed to ---been ignited, the preheating including unidirectional switching by a unidirectional switch which receives an ac control signal prior to the ac control signal being converted into a pulsating dc signal.---

Claim 15, line 2, "a unidirectional" has been changed to --- the unidirectional---.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Vu whose telephone number is (571) 272-1831. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8am-430pm.

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